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February 19, 2021

Thank you for subscribing to my weekly newsletter. Below you will find important federal, state and local updates from the last week curated for you in one place.

This morning, I was one of a handful of members physically present while the House was gaveled into and out of session. Looking around at the empty chamber, the gravity of the situation we found ourselves in this week struck me. This disaster was so profound that even the seat of government was unable to perform our simplest of duties.

My heart goes out to the millions of Texans who were without power this week. My own home had only intermittent power throughout the week, and I consider myself lucky compared to the millions who suffered far more extreme outages. We must work to ensure a collapse of this magnitude never happens again, and I look forward to spending this 87th Legislative Session doing just that.

In 2012, I was a member of the House Committee on State Affairs. We wrote a report outlining our "serious concerns with the regulatory initiatives taken by the Texas Public Utility Commission and the Electric Reliability Council of Texas." The entire report can be found <a href="https://exas.com/here">here</a>.

Should you have any questions about the information below, please do not hesitate to contact us. Please utilize email communication with our office during this time, via the email contact information at the bottom of this newsletter.

Sincerely,



87th Legislative Session

Rep. Huberty's Current Legislative Agenda

**HB** 767 - Relating to best management practices for aggregate production operations.

<u>HB 805</u>- Relating to certain increases in benefits under the firefighters' relief and retirement fund in certain municipalities.

<u>HB 827</u> - Relating to the disclosure of vehicle speed information to a law enforcement agency by an entity that operates a toll project.

<u>HB 900</u> - Relating to the liability of a landlord for damages resulting from the execution of a writ of possession in an eviction suit.

<u>HB 1147</u> - Relating to military readiness for purposes of the college, career, or military readiness outcomes bonus under the Foundation School Program.

<u>HB 1428</u> - Relating to procurement by a political subdivision of a contingent fee contract for legal services.

<u>HB 1603</u> - Relating to the use of individual graduation committees and other alternative methods to satisfy certain public high school graduation requirements.

<u>HB 1740</u> - Relating to the administration to public school students in certain grades of state-administered assessment instruments.

#### Bill Status Hotline

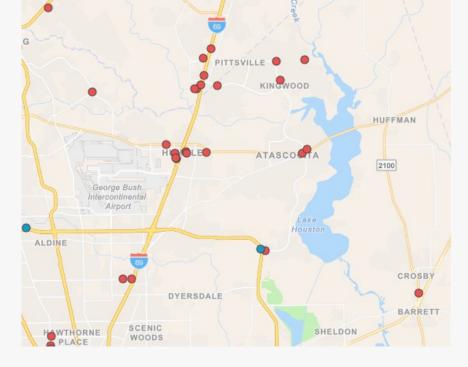
The Legislative Reference Library introduced a bill status hotline: 877-824-7038 (toll-free in Texas)

## State Updates

# **ERCOT Will End Emergency Conditions Today**



COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Map



Click the image to view an interactive map

If you would like to register for a COVID-19 vaccine, please click here.

Gov. Abbott Declares Power System Winterization, Related Funding As Emergency Items, Provides Update On Winter Weather Response



#### **Governor Abbott Declares Power System Winterization,...**

Governor Greg Abbott today provided an update on the state's response to winter weather and power outages. As part of his update, the Governor declared a new emergency item for this legislative session. The Governor is asking the Legislature to...

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Vehicle Title and Registration Waiver Ends April 14



HELPING TEXANS GO. HELPING TEXAS GROW.

If you're overdue, it's time to renew! The temporary waiver of certain vehicle title and registration requirements, announced by Governor Greg Abbott on March 16, 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, will end at 11:59 p.m. on April 14, 2021. The Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) reminds Texans to complete any overdue transactions now.

Three ways to renew your vehicle registration:

- Online: Visit <u>TxDMV.gov</u> or <u>www.Texas.gov</u>. This is the quickest and least expensive way to renew. Save \$1 if you renew online. Online renewal is available up to nine months past your registration expiration date.
- Mail: Return the bottom portion of your registration renewal form, payment and other required information to your county tax assessor-collector.
- In-Person: Visit the office of your county tax assessor-collector. In many counties, in-person
  renewal is also available at other locations, such as certain grocery stores. Contact your county tax
  office to check hours and locations.

Click here for more information

#### City of Houston & Harris County Updates

#### Harris County Public Health Dashboard



# TSA-Q Is Back To 75% Occupancy

The Department of State Health Services (DSHS) provided an update on the hospitalization rate for Trauma Service Area L (TSA-Q), which includes Austin, Colorado, Fort Bend, Harris, Matagorda, Montgomery, Walker, Waller, and Wharton counties:

For the past seven days, the number of COVID-19 hospitalized patients in TSA-Q has been at or below 15 percent of all hospitalized patients, making it an area that is no longer characterized as having high hospitalizations as defined in Executive Order GA-30, paragraph 2.

As a result, as of February 16, 2021, all restaurants, retail stores, office buildings, manufacturing facilities, gyms and exercise facilities and classes, museums, and libraries in all counties in Trauma Service Area TSA-Q may return to maximum 75 percent occupancy levels, except in any county that separately qualifies for the greater occupancy levels because it has minimal cases of COVID-19 under the Department of State Health Services attestation process.

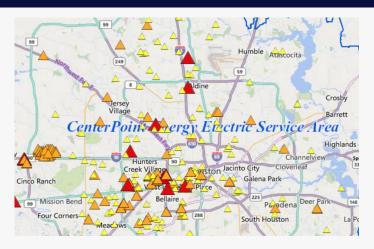
## **HCPH Testing and Vaccination Sites Re-Open**

Harris County Public Health resumed modified COVID-19 testing and vaccine operations on Friday, and anticipate returning to normal operations over the weekend.

For more information, please click here

# District 127 Updates

# **Outage Maps**



Click <u>here</u> Entergy map Click <u>here</u> for the CenterPoint map

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